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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

THE CHURCH OF GOD

Those Who Misrepresent the Church of God are Subject to God's Wrath

E. C. Clark.

This subject is by no means new to us who compose the Church of God. While it is not like all other truth it is rich enough and strong enough to rehearse or to stand alone. Therefore, we hope to say something here that will be helpful in causing that adhesiveness and stickability that is so vital to the welfare of the church to prevail.

THE ORIGIN OF THE CHURCH

In the mind and purpose of God, hidden behind the veil of time before the present world began, Eph. 1:4, chosen of God, (Gr. ekselektato) and if chosen then a certain and specific quality and purpose is at once ascertained, and if so, then, unless that purpose and quality is present, it is possible that the very thing, or name we may call ourselves, is set aside because of the lack of proper qualifications or conditions.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

"According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Eph. 1:4. Notice the requirements of the church by the God of love, i. e. "That we should be holy. Not only 'holy' but 'blameless.' If this is the requirements of the Founder of the church, there is grave danger of those who may call themselves the church not being so.

With the above let us compare 1 Cor. 1:2, "Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus." Here the epistle is addressed to the "sanctified" which synchronizes with Eph. 1:4, "that we should be holy." This is God's requirement for His Church and is specifically foreshadowed by the word used for church in Greek. The Greek word used for church is *ekklesia* which is formed from the preposition "ek" meaning, out of, denoting source, etc., and the verb "kaleo" which denotes being called in to one's presence, or to do a particular thing. Hence the meaning of the word *ekklesia* is plain and distinct, and when used with respect to the people of God is so used to denote the fact that we have been called out from the world and are now called into the presence of God. It was used with respect to Israel in the wilderness after her out-calling from the land of Egypt, by Stephen to his address of defense before his execution. This usage has a very profound meaning, for while Israel remained in the land of Egypt she was never called an *ekklesia*, but after the voice of God had taken action, the verb "kaleo" found its true action in the response of Israel to that call, in that under the direction of Moses and Aaron Israel came out of the land of Egypt. After her obedience to that call, having crossed into the wilderness and having freed herself from the house of Egyptian bondage, to the verb may now be added the preposition "ek" which gives us the Greek word "ekklesia" which is used for church. Thus Israel becomes the *ekklesia*, or the out-called ones of God, and at the same time becomes the mouthpiece of God to utter all prophetic truth which is of God prepared for the nations.

Now let us look at the Hebrew word used for Egypt, which is "Mitsraim" and means "the land of darkness." Thus we at once find when Israel was out-called from the land of Egypt and was called an *ekklesia*, we have laid the true type of the New Testament church which has its parallel in the out-calling of the Church of God from darkness and the sin of the world—"Wherefore he saith, Come ye out from among them, and I will receive you and be unto you a God and ye shall be unto me sons and daughters." Then if we are to take the true meaning of the word *ekklesia* as is defined by the etymological values of the word itself, we may never properly use the word *ekklesia* of those professing Christ who never laid aside the outer works of darkness and separated themselves from the "house of bondage" and the lusts of the world and congregated together unto the Lord Jesus Christ.

Those that preach the idea of sinning more or less every day and that we cannot live without sinning, never have the right to the sacred usage of (Please Look On Page Three)

PRAY FOR THE REVIVAL

LEPANTO, Ark. (June 15)—Dear Evangel readers, I want to sound a note of praise to God for what He is doing here at Shady Grove Church. We did not have a pastor here from Oct. 1928 until the fourth Sunday in March 1929. Thank God, although we feel like we have been neglected, yet, the Great Shepherd of the flock has never forsaken us, but leads us in and out mid green pastures. He feeds us good food from His Word. We thank Him for Brother W. F. Wright as pastor. We have organized a nice growing Sunday School. God has opened up a large schoolhouse for us to worship in, known as the Hatcher Schoolhouse. We are looking to God for results and not to man. I want to do more for God. Our little church of nineteen members is on the firing line again and God is blessing. We are looking forward to the best revival this year that has ever been here. We have a few more members but they have gone from this country. Pray for love and unity to still prevail. That is what it takes to make power in the church and cause the Lord to bless. Pray for me and mine.—Yours in Jesus' name, Stella Watts.

4 RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST

CINCINNATI, O.—A revival started at Middlesboro, Ky., May 19, 1929 and closed June 9. There was lots of good done. We had a wonderful good time with the Lord. Thirty-eight souls were saved, eighteen sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, fourteen added to the church, and sixteen baptized in water. We had wonderful crowds from far and near. Men and women got saved from twelve years old to eighty years old. People crowded in to hear the Gospel. Jesus wonderfully blessed us in setting a new Sunday School in order at Hedgebrook, Ky. The first Sunday there were eighty-one. I thank the Lord for His wonderful power and how He has blessed me. I thank God for the saving power thru Jesus Christ that can save lost souls from a life of sin.—Brother Solomon Scalf and Sister Sarah Scalf, 357 E. Third St., Cincinnati, O.

Desires the Prayers of God's People

This is the present state of my son, Homer Simpson's case. The Supreme Court of Georgia is composed of six members. In passing on Simpson's case they were divided, four and two. Two were for giving Simpson a new hearing. These were Chief Justice Russell and Associate Justice Hines.

Brother Roe Crye, Sister Ethel Lee, my wife, and I have just returned from an eight days visit from the grand old state of Georgia. We visited Atlanta, Macon, Valdosta, Waycross, Thomasville, and Brunswick. The last named is where my son, Homer, was tried. We found eleven of the jurors, of which ten willingly signed a petition to commute his sentence to life, giving as their reason that defendant Homer Simpson was tried first and since his trial Malcom Morrow, E. G. Waller, and Mamie Lee Todd, co-defendants, have been tried. During these trials new facts were brought out, showing that Simpson did none of the shooting whatever, but, on the contrary, tried to keep Morrow from shooting. After Mr. C. A. Perry was wounded, Simpson was making all efforts possible to get him to the hospital. In the meantime, their car was wrecked. Simpson's nose and three ribs were broken, Morrow also suffered a broken hip. During this scene Waller escaped with all the money.

Since this sad tragedy Simpson, like the prodigal son of old and King David, has wept his way back to Calvary and has repented of all his sins. He is now living an humble Christian life in the Bible County jail and is teaching the unlearned prisoners to read and write. He is also teaching them that "the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ." A number of prisoners have been converted since Simpson has been in prison.

The authorities tell me that he has been a model prisoner and has given them no trouble whatever. He is now reading thru the Bible the fourth time since his imprisonment.

We desire the prayers of God's children everywhere that God's will may be done by our dear boy.—J. H. Simpson.

Why Sit We Here Until We Die

Soon the last Golden Opportunity of Life will Pass

M. W. Letsinger

2 Kings 7:3b

The words of the text were spoken by a man who was a leper. He, with others, was in exile because of the dreadful disease of leprosy which had taken hold on them. They were away from home and loved ones and there was an awful famine on in the land. We do not know what stage of the disease they were in but we are told that leprosy is a type of sin. At first it is scarcely noticeable. It possibly appears in bright spots in the flesh but later begins to spread and become inflamed, then the flesh will get sore and crack and bleed and soon the fingers and toes will come off at the first joint and in like manner it continues to eat on the body until death. No cure, nothing to do but, grope along each day and hour growing worse until death.

It is very sad to think of, but a good comparison of sin. When sin is first manifest in the child it is not considered to be very bad. The little fellow will possibly take a mad fit but it isn't considered to be very bad, it is rather funny and amusing to watch him. Many times we have seen them take mad spasms and even fight their mother. I have heard the parent tell, apparently with delight, of the mad spell their child had had. It was in no way considered dangerous or disgraceful. Later the little fellow would misrepresent things and we have known of parents who would look upon it with lightness and seem to think it to be a bright act of the child. Later on they would take little things that did not belong to them, and received but very little attention from the parents. But as time passed on and the child grew to man or womanhood this dreaded disease of sin would continue to grow on them, sometimes developing into revelling and drunkenness, sometimes into theft and even murder. Then the awful anguish that would begin to take hold on the parents because of the awful trouble their child had gotten into, and sin was to blame for it all.

Some several years ago I lived next door to some folks who had a boy that had committed an awful crime and the law said he had to die in the electric chair. The parents had hope that he might get a sentence to life imprisonment, which would have been awful punishment, but when the day arrived for his execution the news came to the poor father and mother that it had been finished and that their boy was dead. Oh! the awful anguish and heart-rending expressions from those poor parents. Up till then they had had some hope, but alas, the wages of sin is death. It may not appear very bad at first, but remember that it will continue to grow worse until death.

Those poor lepers were starving and the awful disease growing worse from day to day. They knew that they could not live long, but to continue to sit there it could not be far in the distance to death, so the question was asked, "Why sit we here until we die?" They arose and the result was plenty of food, not only for them but for others also. You who have the awful disease of sin should realize that it, like leprosy, is getting a stronger hold on you each day and that there is an awful death awaiting you. "Why sit we here until we die?" when there is pardon and cleansing offered to all. But there is something for you to do that you may receive the blessing. Why sit there until you die when God has made the plan so easy? We hear so many say, "I would like to be a Christian," but there they sit and

will not make a move. There is something for every man and woman to do to be saved. God has fixed it that way and while He willeth not the death of any, but would that all men come to Him and live, yet He expects us to come to Him for life and if we fail to put forth the effort we may expect to only linger a few days and die.

Many times we ask folks the question, "Do you want to be a Christian?" The answer invariably is, "Yes." Then the next question is, "Why not make the start now?" and many times the answer will be, "I don't feel like it. I want to be a Christian, but do not feel like making a start or putting forth any effort whatever." They seem to think that there will come a time in their lives when they will feel like meeting God's conditions. I wonder if those lepers felt like going? I imagine that they did not. Their feet and hands were possibly sore and swollen; they were sick and faint, it took a great effort on their part to make a move at all, but when they thought of how near death they were if they failed to move, they decided to try. You who are in sin have something to do to get to God and if you linger much longer it will be for ever too late. Today is the day of salvation; if you hear His voice harden not your heart.

There is work for the Christian to do. God saves us to serve and not to sit down. He wants us to be energetic and do with our might what our hand findeth to do. There is not a moment that we cannot find something to do for the Lord. So many today are sitting in idleness, looking for something great to do, letting all their opportunities pass unnoticed, waiting for special inspiration or feeling, but God wants us to bestir ourselves and press our way to Him.

When the sinner realizes his dying condition, that he is lost, and if his earthly life should end he would drop into endless night and be forever lost, that is conviction enough and he should act upon the judgment that God has given him. Arise, make the start. God demands it and man must do it. The first step toward God is to make a decision: "I will arise." When the decision is made we start then. Next, repent and make restitution where it is possible. Consecrate your entire being to Him and tarry before Him, delighting yourself in Him until you receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost, then do with your might what your hand findeth to do until you hear Him say, "It is enough. Well done thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things."

Life is very brief and will soon be over and the angel of death will soon appear and summon us to the great beyond. There will be no way of getting by. We will have to go. We have known of men who were under death sentence and the date for their execution set, but by certain legal process they got a thirty or sixty day respite, and in some cases got a commutation to life imprisonment, but when the angel of death appears there will be no argument sufficient. We may cry out and ask to be spared over to another year. We may say, Only give me a few more moments in which to prepare. Remember the rich fool—This night thy soul is required of thee. There was no time granted unto him in which to get ready. He had waited too long. Many are putting off from time to time, sitting in idleness and though the Holy Spirit is knocking (Please Look On Page Two)

SUNDAY SCHOOL GROWING

Brother Keith pitched his tent here at Dayton, Tenn. May 13, and held a six weeks meeting. The interest was good from the first night until the last. The meeting closed with an all day service and dinner on the ground. The last night was greatest of all. There were twenty-two in the altar. Twenty-eight were saved, thirteen sanctified, twelve received the Holy Ghost, eight came into the church, and seven followed the Lord in water baptism. Brother Keith gave out the Word in its fullness and purity. The Lord blessed wonderfully. His sermons were enjoyed by all. It was said by many that the sermons were the best they had ever heard. We thank God for such people as Brother Keith and wife who are so devoted to the Lord and His work. The church and Sunday school have prospered greatly since Brother Keith has been here. Our Sunday School has grown both in interest and attendance. The attendance has grown from about 40 to 150. We praise the Lord because He has been so good to us. We are expecting greater things ahead. Pray for us.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Earl Kelly.

It Pays to Hold On To God

CROWN, W. Va. (May 13)—Glory to God! The Lord has been working wonderfully. I thank God for a few saints who will work faithfully for the Lord. We have been going from house to house breaking bread for the glory of God. We have been tarrying each evening in the cottage prayer meetings in the name of Jesus. Three have been saved, three sanctified, and ten filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. We are working faithfully for we are looking for the coming of Jesus. We started this tarrying service May 9 and the Lord saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost from Thursday till Monday. Praise His good name.—Your faithful sister in Christ, Effie Beckett.

A NEW PLACE

QUICKSAND, Ky.—On June 1, Brother Jesse Gross, Brother Hargis Sallee, and I, from Haddix, went fifteen miles from home and had meeting Saturday night and Sunday morning. Holiness had never been preached. I can say the Lord wonderfully blessed. Brother Gross preached a good sermon on Sunday. At the close of our service we saw tears in the eyes of both young and old. They flocked around us, begging us to come again. Pray to the good Lord that we will get to return and see those folks again soon. We want to thank the Lord for the kind treatment from the hands of Mr. and Mrs. Day at their home. I pray to the Lord that His folks will go to working for Him more in the future than in the past for the great day of His wrath will come and who shall be able to stand. We were well paid for our long horse-back ride and hope to get to return soon.—Adam Birchfield.

Children's Day Enjoyed By All

BLAIRSVILLE, Ga. (June 24)—I praise the Lord this morning for what He is to me. He has been so good to us. He heals us when we get sick. Over four years ago the dear Lord sanctified and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. I am not tired of this way. I just want to know more of His sweet love and power. I want to be more like Jesus. Praise His holy name! We are having a good Sunday School at the church. We had a nice Children's Day on the ninth of this month. We surely did have a good dinner. People who did not belong to the church brought out dinner. I hope the Lord will bless them real good. Brother and Sister Mathe B. Rich were the conductors of the Children's Day. The house was decorated with roses. Everything went off nicely. Brother and Sister Rich and the children had a march. Brother Rich carried the banner. The children spoke and sang well. I thank the dear Lord for it all. We had a good meeting yesterday. Brother Phillips preached and the Lord surely did bless. All who read this please pray for a Holy Ghost revival for it is needed here. I love this way and all of God's people. Pray for my back-slidden son. Your sister in Christ, Lena Dyer.

I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH

"I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it"

Earl Paulk

I have felt impressed for sometime to write an article to the Evangel concerning the Church, the body of Christ, the house of God, the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the Truth.

We find in Matt. 16:18 where Jesus said, "I will build my church." Jesus spoke of the church here as if it was His, and truly it is. For anything to be yours, you will have to buy it, inherit it, or either someone will give it to you. We want to see how Jesus came in possession of His Church. We read in the Acts of the Apostles 20:28 "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." Mr. Webster says that to purchase is to buy. So Jesus bought the Church of God with his own blood and not with silver or gold. This is the way He came in possession of His church (Church of God). This is the full name of the church as we find in 1 Cor. 1:1,2; 1 Cor. 10:32; 1 Cor. 11:22; 1 Cor. 15:9; 2 Cor. 1:1; Gal. 1:13; 1 Tim. 3:5-15. The full rendering is the church of God. There is a reason that it bears this name. This reason we find in the 16th chap. of Matt. "When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And they said, Some say that thou art John the Baptist; some, Elias, and others, Jeremias or one of the prophets." But, "He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." Paul states in Eph. 1:22, 23 that God "hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body." We readily see that the body of the son of God is the church, and that will automatically make it the Church of God. As He is the son of God, this is the reason it is called the church of God. If the church is a good thing and the right thing, surely it is of God for all good things come from Him. Eph. 4:6 says there is one God and Father of us all, who is above all. Since He is above all and the Father of all, even the Son of God our Redeemer, the Maker of this world and all its beauties and peculiarities, surely He is worthy for the church to bear His name. It is nothing but right and Bible. The wise man says in Prov. 30:5, 6 "Every word of God is pure: He is a shield unto them that put their trust in Him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar." (In judgment.) Rev. 22:18, 19 tells us not to add to His words neither take from, but just leave it as it is.

Some say that there is nothing to a name, but that doesn't make it true by any means. We find that the definition of name is designation which is to distinguish or to point out. Thanks, be to God, we find that the church, He purchased with His own blood is designated, distinguished and pointed out in the Holy Bible as *The Church of God*. We notice that Paul in writing to the brethren at Corinth designated or pointed them out as the church of God which was at Corinth (and not in Heaven). He did not address this letter to the church of the first born, neither to the House of God, nor to the Church of Christ, but designated it to the Church of God at Corinth. They were doing business under this name, known in Corinth as the church of God. It was to those who were justified by faith Rom. 5:1, sanctified with His own blood Heb. 13:12, and filled with the Holy Ghost and did speak in other tongues 1 Cor. 14:18.

We read in the first chapter of Luke where there was a certain priest named Zacharias and his wife Elizabeth, and they were both well stricken in years. They had no child for Elizabeth was barren, Luke 1:7. As Zacharias was offering incense in the temple an angel came down from God out of Heaven and said unto him "Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elizabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John, (designate). As he doubted these things the angel said unto him, "Thou shalt be dumb until these things shall be performed." His wife did conceive and brought forth a man child. It was a custom with the Jews (Please Look On Page Three)

AN URGENT PLEA

I have been out of the office for about three weeks and on returning from Montana and North Dakota I have looked over the amount that has been sent in on the dollar drive, and am sending this forth to stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance. It is just a few months until the Assembly. The majority of the preachers advised this drive, and it will be necessary for it to close in the next three months. A few of the churches have gone over the top, but we certainly hope that the rest of them will

go over the top by the close of the next three months.

Now this is the church's debt and every member is a part of the body and every church should feel that they are obligated to do their part. We hope that each State Overseer, District Overseer, and Pastor will put forth special efforts in the next three months to complete the dollar drive.

I thank you in advance for your hearty response.—S. W. Latimer, Overseer.

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EDITORIALS

Our Sunday School literature is almost exhausted. We made more for this quarter than at any time in the past. We are out of the Beginners Quarterly, and the Adult Quaterlies are almost gone. We have several Junior Quaterlies, cards and Cluster Rolls. We want to thank our many customers for their early orders and for cash with same. This is worth lots to the Church of God Publishing House.

Subscriptions and renewals for the Evangel are coming in nicely. I would be glad for each pastor to see that his congregation has someone to solicit for the paper. All Church of God folks should read the Evangel.

Brother Ellis and Paulk report a good revival in E. Chattanooga, Tenn. The altar is filled with seekers each evening and several praying thru to victory. Much good is expected to be accomplished before the meeting comes to a close.

Brother J. P. Hughes of Charlotte, N. C. reports a good revival just closed at his church. Brother John Stephens did the preaching.

I have just received a note from Cecile Cross, daughter of Brother M. P. Cross, Detroit, Mich., stating that Brother Cross has a nervous breakdown and is unable to continue his work. He desires prayer. We are very sorry to hear this and trust the Lord will give him a speedy recovery.

WHY SIT WE HERE UNTIL WE DIE?

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and drawing them continually, yet they will not yield, and while many will attempt to make an excuse yet there is none, and when they come to the end they will realize there is no answer to the question, "I have sat here until it is too late, 'Why sit we here until we die?'"

Wonderful Revival

LAFAYETTE, Ga.—I thank the Lord for His Word. He is no respect of person or place because the dear Lord has been with us at this place in a revival. Brother M. A. Looney started a meeting May 15. The enemy was hard against us in every service. We all held on to God for help to break thru the walls of sin. On May 27 Brother Otis Smith from Rome, Ga. came and took charge of the meeting. The devil had to run. Brother Smith surely did some good preaching. He surely is a God sent man. The Lord wonderfully blessed every service and people came out to hear the precious Word of God. There were five saved, five sanctified, three received the Holy Ghost, and four added to the church. On Sunday night, June 2, we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The Lord surely did bless His children. Every seat and aisle of the church was filled. There were people at the church that night who had never been there before and they seemed disappointed because the meeting closed. I think if the meeting could have gone on another week or ten days the whole town would have been aroused. Every one loved Brother Smith and liked to hear him preach. We hope he can come back to Lafayette again some time soon. I thank the Lord for what I feel in my heart right now. Please pray for me that I will stay humble at the feet of my Lord, and for the little church here at Lafayette.—Your humble sister, Mrs. W. C. Landers.

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NOTICES & SPECIALS

The second convention of District No. 4 will be held at Harrisburg, Ill., the first Sunday in August. Ministers from the adjoining churches and Sunday Schools are expected to be present. An interesting program has been arranged. There will be dinner on the ground. Come and bring a well filled basket and enjoy yourself.—W. A. Summers, District Superintendent, in charge.

We will have Home Coming Day next Sunday, July 21st, at N. Chattanooga, Tenn. There will be services all day, dinner on the ground, and plenty of chicken. The neighboring churches are invited to attend this feast. Also a revival will begin at that time. Brother J. L. Goins of Christopher, Ill., will do the preaching.—H. L. Whittington, pastor.

On Saturday night before the second Sunday in August we are going to start a revival near Mendenhall, Miss. at a brush arbor, with Brother D. G. Bozeman from Mize, Miss., in charge. I want all the saints to pray that we will have a good meeting. There is just a few of us saints here and we have never had a revival here, but I believe the Lord will give us a good revival if we will continue praying. Pray that souls will be brought to the Lord. Everybody welcome. Do not forget to pray hard for a successful meeting.—Your sister in Christ, Addie Mason.

Our revival for Pine Grove church at Double Springs, Ala. will begin the 2d Sunday in August. If you want to be with some good, loyal people, come and help us. You will feel at home there. I would like to have Brother H. G. Smith and Frank Swagerty to come and help us, or any one who feels like working for God and His church. May God bless all who read this.—P. W. Hackney, Rt. 1, Arley, Ala.

We have been informed by G. D. Jones, District Overseer, that the meeting announced by (Miss) Lillie White, Henzie, Miss., Rt. 3, to be held at "New Friendship," Booneville, Miss., August 4th, is not a Church of God meeting.—Editor.

Notice to the saints in Oklahoma: I would like to get in touch with some of you. My mind and heart is in Oklahoma and has been for a year. I wanted to go there last year but wasn't able to move there. I want to move there when crops are gathered. I have a wife, and seven children, ages from five to twenty years. We all sing very well. Some of us belong to the Church of God. We farm and preach too. Please give me all the information you can. I want to locate near a church if possible. You may write Headquarters as to my standing, also your State Overseer knows me. Pray for me and write me at once.—Your brother in Christ and for the Church of God.—J. H. Brooks, Gilbert, La.

We wish to start a revival here the second Sunday in August. If anyone feels led to come and help us, we would be glad to have you. For further information write Lee Swinford, pastor, Estill Springs, Tenn., Rt. 1.

Our state convention for the colored work in Pennsylvania will convene at Pittsburgh, Pa. Sept. 20th-29th. We are expecting this meeting to be in charge of our Overseer, Elder J. H. Curry. We are also expecting all the bishops, evangelists, missionaries, exhorters, teachers and churches close by to attend this great feast in the Lord. We are preparing to take care of all who come. We desire your prayers.—Your brother in Christ for lost souls, Elder G. Byrd, pastor, and Overseer of E. Pa.

If it is the Lord's will a revival will begin at the Church of God at Hartwell, Ga. the third Sunday in August. Brother C. E. Meade of Walthalla, S. C. will be in charge. Brother J. W. Culpepper, our State Overseer, will be with us from August 27th till the first Sunday in September. Our district convention will convene August 30th, 31st. All the preachers in the district are expected to come. The church requests the prayers of the saints that this will be the greatest revival ever

REQUEST

Dear saints, I want you to pray for the healing of my body. I am not able to be up much of the time. I am trusting God and am so anxious to be healed.—Your sister, Vangie Colyer.

Please pray for me. I have been troubled with high blood pressure.—Sister Sallie O. Lee.

I am asking all of you to pray for me and my wife. She is in the asylum. Pray for the Lord to heal her so she can be with me in the Gospel work.—Your brother in Christ, Hazy A. Williams, Monroe, La.

held here.—J. M. Heaton, pastor, C. J. Risner, clerk.

To the Church of God preachers who want a job in the Lord's work: We are now in a big battle against sin and the devil at Bridgeport, Ala., and would be glad to get your help. We need some real sky-blue, heaven-bound soldiers who are not afraid to meet the devil with the Word of God. Sin has a big hold here. If any one feels led to come, come ahead.—Your humble brother, H. G. Smith, district pastor.

The Church of God at Arcadia, S. C. will start a revival the night of Aug. 3d and will run it until the night of the 11th. We will have service all day and dinner on the ground on Sunday, the 11th. We will be glad to have with us through the meeting all that can come from the neighboring churches. We are expecting a real revival. Pray that it may be so. Unless we are changed by the mind of the Lord, the pastor will do most of the preaching.—W. Frank Smith, pastor, C. F. Shull, clerk.

To whom it may concern: We are praying for a Church of God preacher in Phoenix, Ariz. We have a nice little church, furnished with piano, lights and benches. We pray that God will put it on someone's heart to come and help us out. We have a little four room house by the church that is ready and waiting for a Church of God preacher. Say people, preachers, and workers, we are calling, won't you come and help? We are located at 2905 E. Madison, Phoenix, Ariz.

A revival meeting will begin at the Walker House, Miss. on Saturday night before the Third Sunday in July, D. V. D. M. Shults in charge. Let the saints everywhere pray for this meeting.—G. D. Jones, pastor.

This is to notify the Church of God saints in Georgia, or Alabama, or anywhere, that if you want a man on your farm next year that can work a two horse crop, I would like to hear from you. I have a wife and five children. Wife and I were reared in Tennessee, fifteen miles south of Lawrenceburg, and have been in Florida about ten years. We are all having chills and fever and want to go farther north. I am an evangelist in the Church of God, with headquarters at Cleveland, Tenn. S. W. Latimer, General Overseer. I would like to have as many as two churches to pastor, anyway.—N. E. Smith, Rt. A, Box 107, O'Brien, Fla.

I am in the evangelistic work, and ready to go anywhere the Lord wants me to go. Anyone needing my help, I am at your service.—Your humble brother for the Church of God and His cause, R. J. Aldridge, Rt. 1, Gorda, Ala.

There will be all day services at the Church of God at Petersburg, W. Va., August 11, 1929. We are expecting to have with us our State Overseer of Clarksburg, W. Va., and probably others. Service Saturday night, 7:30; Sunday School Sunday morning, 9:30; preaching service 10:30, also 2:30; baptismal 3:30 at the river bridge, South Petersburg; service at the church again at 7:30. We cordially invite everybody, both far and near, to come and join us in these services. Come and meet old friends and make new ones, help us sing, pray and hear the full gospel preached. We are expecting to have a great feast at the table of the Lord so don't miss these services. We are going to look for you. You are welcome.—J. M. Kile, pastor, H. C. Schaeffer, clerk.

To all the churches, ministers and members of the Church of God in Michigan: Because of having a nervous breakdown, I am forced to give up all of my work for a while. This is to notify you that Brother Carl R. Cook, R. F. D. 4, Lake Odessa, Mich., will act as my assistant. He will be glad to help you in any possible way until I am able to return. The State Convention will convene at Grand Ledge, August 31st to Sept. 2d. Pray for me.—M. P. Cross, Overseer of Michigan.

I thank the Lord because I asked Him not to let my chill be so hard and I just had a light one. I ask every one who reads this to look to God in faith for the healing of my body. I am saved and sanctified and the Holy Ghost abides. If Brother Rouse sees this, please pray for God to heal me instantly.—A sister looking for Christ, Annie Dowdy, Lumber City, Ga., Rt. 2.

For some cause I have had a severe hurting in my lungs for two days. I would like for all who read this to pray for me that I may be healed and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Your humble sister, (Miss) Vernie Sutton.

I request the prayers of the saints of God everywhere for the healing of my body of kidney trouble. I am

SAINTS HAVE THEIR SHOULDERS TO THE WHEEL

CARTHAGE, Miss.—I want to report that the Philadelphia District meeting held at Pleasant Hill near Carthage, Miss. was a grand success. The meeting began Thursday night before the first Sunday in June, with our State Overseer in charge. Six other preachers were present. Brother Clarence Johnson and the Holy Ghost brought the message that night. Brother May and wife were in charge of the music and singing. Friday Sister C. C. Floyd brought the message, her subject being "Joy." How the joy did bubble over in every heart and soul. This was followed by "Training the Children" by the writer. Everyone seemed to enjoy this thru many tears and shouts. We could hear Brother Edd cry out, "Oh glory, amen." Friday night the subject was "Laborers Together" by Brother W. J. Scruggs, the faithful pastor of this place. I think every member wanted to pull together after that message. This was followed by an altar call. Some of the old fighters of the way fell in the altar. Saturday morning the message of "The Second Coming of Christ" by Brother C. C. Floyd. Brother Culpepper then brought a soul stirring message on "Bare Ye One Another's Burdens." No one except God and the ones who attended can ever think of the joy and good one gets by attending these meetings.

Saturday night Brother G. N. May preached a wonderful sermon on "Over the Top with Jesus." After this there was a healing service. Several were healed of different diseases and the hallelujahs did roll. Sunday found all the saints out early, prayerful and humble before the Lord. Service started with some special songs selected by Brother May. Sister May, the organist, rendered some sweet heavenly music. The innumerable crowd seemed to be spell bound from the start. We had a real old Pentecost testimony meeting with Sister Floyd in charge. How the Lord did bless. Brother Culpepper brought the message on "The Church of God". If people did not see the Church of God right when he got thru, they just shut their eyes and stopped their ears to keep from seeing and hearing it. He made it plain. People have been talking about that sermon all this week. A fine dinner was spread and everyone, I guess, enjoyed his dinner, even the Baptist deacon. Well bless God, we were hardly thru eating when the fire broke out again with songs, shouts, and prayers. We then had a talk by one of the Bible students from Cleveland, Tenn., Brother McNair. That was enjoyed and many wished that they could attend next session. During the healing service which followed, one lady came to be prayed for by T. B. She arose shouting the victory, said she felt perfectly well, and left that evening for her home. Brother Billie Watkins then talked on Sunday Schools. This was interesting. We had two special songs by Brother and Sister C. C. Floyd and little daughter. Sunday night the place was crowded. The tabernacle would not half start to hold the people. The service started with three different grove meetings. God did honor by healing some that were sick. There were saints from far and near with their shoulders to the wheel. Brother Culpepper brought a grand message. We observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. After this every one united in prayer and sang a song. Brother C. C. Floyd was ordained as a deacon and all parted with many good-byes and God bless you. Brother Edd is doing his part for Christ and the church. Come on, pay your tithes, pay your vows, stay on the job, and Mississippi will go over the top.—Humbly, Bessie E. Scruggs.

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Glad For People Who Stand For Truth

ATLANTA, Ga.—I feel impressed to write to the dear little paper I like so well. I am glad today still finds me sanctified and the sweet Holy Ghost abiding, bless His name. I am a member of the dear Church of God and I am not ashamed of it. If God be for us who can be against us? Our dear Brother Culpepper came and preached for us one week. He did some wonderful preaching. He is our State Overseer in Georgia, and I don't think we could have a better one. Eternity alone will tell the good that this noble man of God has done. I am so glad for a people who will stand for the whole truth. I am glad for God's great healing power. He has been our healer for five years. My children took whooping cough but it has not hurt them much. I want all who read this to help me pray that God will completely heal them. I had a headache this evening. I placed the Evangel on my head and it left. Praise the dear Lord. We are very poor of this world's goods but thank God we are right with Him. He is so wonderfully good to us. I believe in giving God the tenth. He has promised us a blessing if we do. I feel as if we would not get along half as well as we do if we did not give God His part. I do believe in praising God for what He has done for us and for what I feel in my soul just now. I want to go to Heaven. I want to raise my children

saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, belong to the Church of God and trust God for my healing.—Mrs. Nellie Roberts, Apopka, Fla.

DESIRES TO BE IN HIS SERVICE

MIDDLESEX, N. C.—Dear saints, greetings in Jesus' name. I want to praise the Lord for salvation this evening. I am glad that I am saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost now. I love the saints everywhere. The way grows brighter every day. We surely have been having some good meetings. The devil works hard, but he will soon be bound and we will not be tempted any more. Thank the Lord. Just a few days ago I was at a neighbor's home and stood by his little child and saw him die. It made me want to stand true to the end and do more for the Lord than I ever did. I want to get the gospel to many souls. If there is any one who wants me to hold a meeting for him, he may write me. I want to be in His service. I feel good in my soul tonight. I want all who read this to pray for me and my little family that we may stay humble at his feet.—Your brother in Christ, I. H. Hinton, R. 2.

dren for Heaven too. I want to keep them unspotted from the world as well as myself and plant good things in their hearts. Oh, how we need more virtuous mothers today. I am striving each day to obey God's Word. He said to marvel not if the world hate you, for it hated me before it hated you. God has told us to dress as becometh Holiness. I think that is as important as any of the rest of the Word. He said if we have the love of the world that the love of the Father is not in us. The world surely does not love me or any of my children. Nevertheless, the foundation of God standeth sure and the Lord knows them that are His. Pray for us that we will live closer to God and do His will in this world.—A sister looking for Jesus, Lillie Skinner.

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The Minister's Wife

Mrs. A. Gann.

You may sing of the heroes of war and of peace,
Your soldiers of fortune or strife;
When the tumult shall die, and the shouting shall cease,
Let me sing of the minister's wife.

You may laud to the skies all the learned and wise,
The servants with dignities rife;
My heart says Amen! but I take up my pen
In praise of the minister's wife.

For the minister's wife is a cook and a clerk,
A dress-maker, mother, and nurse;
A wonderful teacher, a maid-of-all-work,
Both player and singer, of course.

She must listen, with nerves that are raw to the quick,
To heartaches, and troubles galore;
She must welcome the stranger, and visit the sick,
Wearing dresses her sister once wore.

She must work with the Aid, and the Junior Hi-Y,
And must help with the Sunday School stunts;
Be a leader in Missions, or tell us all why,
And not miss a prayer meeting once!

She must comfort her husband when Mondays are blue,
And smooth out his trials—and coats;
Be ready to move every twelve months or two
When he shepherds new sheep, (or new goats).

And whether the weather be cloudy or bright;
In season or not,—all the while,
If her heart it be heavy, or if it be light—
She must always be ready to smile.

Oh, sing of the noble, the great and the good,
Whom you meet in the course of your life;
I take up the strain, be it here understood,
In praise of the minister's wife.

I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH

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to circumcise and to name the child on the eighth day. They said we will call him Zacharias after his father, but his mother answered and said, "Not so, but he shall be called John." They wondered at this as none of his kindred were called by his name. But listen, dear reader, this was God's name for him; and his father being dumb, they made a sign at him to know what he would have the child called. He motioned for a writing tablet, and wrote, saying, *His name is John*. Then what happened? They all marvelled. "And his mouth was opened immediately, and his tongue loosed, and he spake, and praised God." This was after he recognized his name. Then you tell me there is nothing to a name? There was something to John's name, and there is something to the church's name for the church is of more importance and greater than John's was because it is the body of Christ. We find from reading the Scriptures that the body of Christ is the church, Eph. 1:22, 23 and 1 Cor. 12:27. Now we want to find what the body of Christ is composed of.

In 1 Cor. 12:27 Paul said as he was writing to the church of God at Corinth (a visible church of God at Corinth), "Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular." So those people at Corinth whom he was writing to were the Church of God and what composed the body of Christ. How were they put together to the extent that they did compose or organize the body of Christ which is the church? Jesus said in Matt. 16:18, I will build my church. The definition of build is to construct or erect. We read in Eph. 4:16 "From whom the whole body (church) fitly joined together," and not born into each other or born in the body (church), but joined unto each other, thus composing the body of Christ (church). Then we become a member in particular of the church. Eph. 2:21 "In whom all the building," (I will build my church) "fitly framed together." If any one were to have a pile of material (lumber) and someone would come along and say, You have a nice building (house), he would quickly say, "That is no building but only the material for it." But when he employs a carpenter who could build to the blue print (Bible), he will take the material (now ye are the body of Christ and members in particular) and fitly join it together or frame it, as Paul stated in 1 Cor. 3:10, "According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon." Let him build according to the blue print (Bible). Paul said in 1 Cor. 11:1 "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." Then the man will have a house, the rains may fall, the winds blow, but he will have protection because the carpenter has organized (joined together) his material for him. We see the body of Christ is joined together and who is the body? We are the body; now ye are the body of Christ, thus composing the church.

The rains might fall and the winds blow (winds of doctrines Eph. 4:14) but we have protection in the house of God which is the true gospel of the living God. 1 Tim. 3:15. Praise the dear Lord forever. When one becomes

Praise Him For The Determination

DAISY, Tenn.—To the Evangel: The Lord has impressed me to write a little to the paper for sometime and I thought I would obey. I want to thank the Lord for what He is to me. I praise Him for the determination I have this morning to go thru. I praise the Lord for saving, sanctifying, and giving me the Holy Ghost. I am a member of the Church of God in which I intend to remain. I praise Him for His healing power. We trust the Lord for both soul and body. He has kept me until now with victory in my soul. I am so glad the Lord knows all our needs and will supply them if we will ask Him and believe in His name. I have some hard trials and temptations, but the Lord said He would never leave us nor forsake us, and that He would be with us all the way even unto the end of the world. I ask the saints to pray for my children who are out in sin. I do want them saved before it is too late. I want to see souls saved at this place. The revival that started some three or four months ago has never ceased. Last Sunday night the pastor gave an altar call. Every one stood back. One sister got up and told how the Lord had led her, and five came to the altar. I received the Holy Ghost. I thank the Lord for what He is to me. I am a witness to the healing of a sister. Just about 12:00 o'clock today Sister Rebecca was healed of a pain around her heart. She shouted the victory for it. I thank God because He has some believing children at Daisy, Tenn. who trust God for healing. I am more determined to go on than ever. Please pray that I will let God have His way with me and that my husband will stay in the center of God's will.—Your sister in the Lord, Mrs. L. E. Morgan.

offended at the true gospel (word of God) or allows the spirit of leadership to get hold of him and because he cannot be controller and becomes jealous and leaves out of the house of God which is the church of God, he will have to endure the rains and winds. Just a norther or two will soon freeze him out and he will come to naught. He will become so light that the winds of doctrines will blow him around as the wind blows the chaff. Glory to God, there is protection in the house of God for those who remain in.

As a man is joined unto his wife by the laws of the land so are we joined to the church and not born into it, Eph. 5:31-32. For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined unto his wife (a visible wife) and they shall be one flesh. Paul says this is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. There is not a single Scripture in the Bible that says we are born into the church.

Much has been said in this article about the house of God. Some one will say, Is it not just as well to call it (the church) the house of God? No, Paul did not say the church of God which is the house of God, but the house of God which is the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. 1 Tim. 3:15.

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THE COVENANT

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A covenant is a solemn contract either between man and man or between God and man.

There are eight great covenants of Scripture which condition life and salvation, and about which all Scriptures crystallize. They are the Edenic, the Adamic, the Noachic, the Abrahamic, the Mosaic, the Palestinian, the Davadic, and the New Covenant.

The Edenic, the first of these covenants and conditional on the life of man in innocence, was made with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden and only lasted until the fall of man. The man and woman were responsible to replenish the earth with a new order—man; to subdue the earth with human uses; to have dominion over the animal creation; to eat the herbs and fruits; to till and keep the garden; and to abstain from eating of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, the penalty for this offense being death.

The Adamic Covenant conditions the life of fallen man—conditions which must remain until in the kingdom age, "the creation shall also be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the sons of God." In this covenant the serpent, the tool of Satan, is cursed—from the most beautiful and subtle of creatures to a loathsome reptile!—and becomes God's illustration in nature of the effects of sin. Here is the first promise of a Redeemer, and also, here begins the "highway of Seed": Abel, Seth, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Judah, David, and Immanuel—Christ. The state of the man was changed in three particulars: Multiplied conception, motherhood linked with sorrow, and the headship of man. The earth was cursed for man's sake, and inevitable sorrow of life was pronounced. The light occupation of Eden was changed to burdensome labor in the fields.

The covenant that God made with Noah established the principle of human government, confirmed the relation of man to the earth under the Adamic Covenant, assured Noah that the recurrence of the seasons and of day and night would not cease, and that judgment would not again come to the human race in the form of a flood. It made three prophetic declarations: That from Ham would descend a posterity of inferiority and servitude; that Shem would have a peculiar relation to Jehovah—all divine revelation is through semitic men, and Christ after the flesh descends from Shem; and that from Japheth would descend the "enlarged" races—government, science, and art, speaking broadly, are and have been Japhetic. History is the indisputable record of the exact fulfillment of these declarations. This covenant lasts until the kingdom age, and has as its sign, the rainbow.

The Abrahamic Covenant, which God made with Abraham and renewed with Isaac, is an "everlasting covenant." It founded the nation of Israel and confirmed, with specific addition, the Adamic promise of redemption. In this covenant God promises six things to Abraham, viz: "I will make of thee a great nation"—"as the stars of heaven" and "as the dusts of the earth." "I will bless thee"—spiritually and temporally, and "thou shalt be a blessing." "I will bless them that bless thee" and "curse them that curse thee." "In thee shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." The condition of this covenant was that Abraham should leave all his country, kindred, and father's house, and follow the Lord into a land which He would show him.

The Mosaic Covenant was given to Israel in three divisions: The Commandments, expressing the righteous will of God; the "judgments," governing the social life of Israel; and the "ordinances," governing the religious life of Israel. It condemns all men "for that all have sinned." The Mosaic Covenant is not in force while Israel is scattered.

When the Mosaic Covenant is renewed it becomes the Palestinian Covenant, which gives the conditions under which Israel entered the land of promise. The nation as a whole has never yet taken the land under the Abrahamic Covenant, nor has it ever possessed the whole land. The covenant includes the dispersion of Israel for disobedience, the future repentance of Israel while in the dispersion, the return of the Lord, the restoration of Israel to the land, the national conversion of Israel, the judgment of Israel's oppressors, and the national prosperity of Israel. The covenant lasts until the end of the Millennium.

The Davadic Covenant, upon which the glorious kingdom of Christ "of the seed of David according to the flesh" is to be founded, establishes the perpetuity of the Davadic family fulfilled in Christ; and of the Davadic kingdom over Israel and over the whole earth, to be fulfilled in and by Christ. This covenant, which is everlasting, has but one condition: Disobedience in the Davadic family is to be visited with chastisement, but not to the abrogation of the covenant. The chastisement fell first in the division of the kingdom under Rehoboam, and finally, in the captivity. Since that time but one king of the Davadic family has been crowned in Jerusalem, and He was crowned with thorns. The Davadic Covenant, confirmed to David

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the word *ekklesia*, for indeed they have never obeyed the call of the verb, nor yet fulfilled the proper usage of the preposition by coming out from the darkness of the world. An *ekklesia* not only denotes the out-calling from the bondage of the darkness of sin but it has the idea of assemblage together as is inferred by the Hebrew word "khol" which in its truest meaning, has the idea of assemblage of God's children into one body, being separate from the world, and is foreign to division of the various creeds and so-called churches of today. Thus it remains that God must, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, gather His children into the one and true body of Jesus Christ, having separated them from the world and the doctrine and commandments of men before He may have His true *ekklesia*. Furthermore, as Israel was under the true theocracy of God by the appointment of Moses, His chosen leader, guided by the Spirit of His mouth and hovered over by the pillar of fire by night and the pillar of cloud by day, just so must God hover over and guide His church under His chosen leaders of today by the Holy Spirit. As Israel who was called an *ekklesia* in the wilderness which is typical of the journey of the Church of God thru its trials and sorrows into the haven of the promised land, and as the children of Israel were at last landed there in the truest of safety under the leadership of Joshua, just so will the Church of God lastly reach the desired haven of rest under the leadership of Jesus Christ. Not only shall we reach it but as Israel under the leadership of Joshua drove out the seven nations of the land of Canaan, just so the Church of God will reign with Christ until the demonic powers and principalities of Satan may know and behold the vicarious death of Christ on the cross. Eph. 3:10.

The land of Canaan means the "low regions" and though typical of Heaven itself, is not the truest abode of God's saints, for Abraham looked not for Canaan "the low regions" but for a city that hath foundations whose designer and architect is God, but as Israel must drive out the seven nations before she inhabited the land, just so the Church of God must mount the throne of grace and put on that endowment of power that she may drive out the evil of Satan and possess the land for Christ, that is, she must possess the promises as contained in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Israel might not inhabit the land she did not conquer, nor shall the Church of God enjoy the victories over Satan if she will not fight. As the defeat of Israel was manifest when Achan had sinned against God, just so now must we have a holy and blameless Church of God and while there may arise the company of Korah who intrude into the sacred places of leadership that God has enjoined unto those whom He has chosen, there will certainly be a like manifestation of a fall as was theirs. Or there may arise the sin of Achan in his covetousness, but that sin will soon be discovered and be vindicated by the chosen leaders of God, and His church move on to the goal.

God has for His church the state of holiness that must be reached, and not only so but we must come to that frame of mind that we will act conscientiously that we may be blameless. When we have come to this state and frame of mind then we can press the battle on the front toward the ranks of the enemy, and if not, then the enemy is battling within our own ranks to confuse and spoil the efficiency of the Church of God and thus hinder and retard the action of the church to such an extent that we may not accomplish the evangelization of the world for Christ. Let us therefore covet to love; learn to be long-suffering, forbearing and forgiving one another as God for Christ's sake has forgiven us, praying with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit with all perseverance, that we may be effective workers for the Lord Jesus Christ.

by the oath of Jehovah and renewed to Mary by the angel, Gabriel, is immutable, and the Lord God will yet give to that thorn-crowned One "the throne of His father, David."

The New Covenant rests upon the sacrifice of Christ and secures the eternal blessedness under the Abrahamic Covenant of all who believe. It is absolutely unconditional, and since no responsibility is by it committed to man, it is final and irreversible. The New Covenant is better than the Mosaic Covenant, not in morality, but in efficiency. It is established on better promises. In the Mosaic Covenant God said, "If ye will"; in the New, He says, "I will." Under the Mosaic Covenant, obedience sprang from fear; under the New Covenant, it springs from a willing heart and mind. The New Covenant secures the personal revelation of the Lord to every believer and the complete oblivion of sins. It rests upon an accomplished redemption and secures the perpetuity, future conversion, and blessing of Israel. The New Covenant is the eighth, speaking of resurrection and of eternal completeness.

The relation of Christ to the covenants is as follows: To the Edenic Covenant, Christ, as the "Second Man," the "Last Adam," takes the place over all things which the first Adam lost. He is the "Seed of the woman" of the Adamic Covenant and fulfilled its conditions of toil and

LETTERS IN INTEREST Of The BIBLE TRAINING SCHOOL

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Desires To Live A Consecrated Life

I'm glad that I can report victory in my soul just now. I am still in the race running for the prize. Thank God! I desire to live a consecrated life wholly given to Jesus which is my reasonable service.

I praise God for the privilege of attending Bible Training School the last term and being associated with some of His dear children. Happy thoughts of those wonderful days are often recalled. I also want to praise God for the pleasure of meeting Brother and Sister J. H. Walker and baby and nine of the students at the Florida State Camp Meeting. In regards to the camp meeting it was just wonderful. God was with us in great power. Bless His holy name. I desire your prayers.—A student from Florida, (Miss) Ora White, 2605 18th Ave., Tampa, Fla.

Get Armed At B. T. S.

"Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is He that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture." Psal. 100:3. Praise God, I'm glad that I am in His pasture feasting on the good things of Heaven. I tasted and saw that the Lord was good. Tonight finds me saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I am a member of the Church of God, pay tithes, wash feet, greet the sisters with the holy kiss, and trust the Lord when I get sick. He said we are His people. In order to stay His children and feast on the good things of this pasture we must walk uprightly. Walk in the light as He is in the light and we have fellowship one with another. The blood of Jesus cleanses from all sin. If we as sheep of His pasture will get ourselves hid behind the cross with fasting and praying, I declare God will work. You will see the signs following and people getting under the mighty power of God. May God help us to surrender to Him.

Oh say, He said put on the whole armor. Have we got it on? Do we do our best? De we take the advantage of every opportunity? Walk as He would have us? Dress as He would have us? Or, talk as He would have us? Is our talk holy as "let your conversation be holy" or is it about our neighbor? Oh, let us take an inventory of our life and see if we are still in the pasture or feeding on the outer

GOD HEAR AND ANSWERS PRAYER

I am glad this morning for Jesus and His wonderful love to me. I am glad for the many blessings, and because I know He hears and answers prayer. About six years ago the Lord saved my soul, sanctified me and gave me the Holy Ghost, for which I am proud.

I promised the Lord if He would answer my prayers I would testify through the Evangel so I want to stick to my promise. We have a band of young people here at Alabama City and God is surely blessing us. We all love our pastor and his wife, Brother and Sister Blackwood, because they can speak such encouraging words. We wish all the saints everywhere would pray for us to let God have His way. Yours for Christ.—Kitty Mildred Hale, Alabama City, Ala.

obedience. As the greatest son of Shem, in Him was fulfilled supremely the promise to Shem in the Noachic Covenant. He is the "Seed to whom the promises were made" in the Abrahamic Covenant, the son of Abraham obedient unto death. He lived sinlessly under the Mosaic Covenant and bore for us its curse. He lived obediently as a Jew in the land under the Palestinian Covenant and will yet perform its gracious promises. He is the "Seed," "Heir," and "King," under the Davadic Covenant; and His sacrifice is the foundation of the New Covenant.

B. T. S. A GOOD PLACE

GRIMESLAND, N. C.—Dear Brothers and sisters, I want to say that I enjoyed the good school last term so well that I want to go back again. I can say like Lot when he and his family left Sodom and stayed in caves, they were glad to be there. I was glad to be at school. I can say and tell the truth that the good school has been a blessing to me. I am going back again if the Lord is willing. I do not know if I will go next term but I want to go.

Brothers, sisters, and unsaved people too, if the Lord wants you to go spend a term in that good school, please do it. Do what our Savior wants you to do. Obey Him and you will have joy. His Holy Word says to study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. At school is a good place to do it.

Fathers and mothers, if you want to send your sons and daughters to a good school, send them to Cleveland, Tenn. to the Church of God B. T. S. They have good rules because they have men of God who were fathers to the students last term.

Brothers, sisters, and worldly friends, if you have any money you don't need, send it to Brother Walker to help pay for the students who can not pay their way. God will bless you. Let us not heap treasures on earth. Let us spend our money so we can get a blessing out of it. What good will money do us when we are dead? It will be a curse to us if we be like the people James was speaking about in James 5. Please read it. All the praying people pray for me that I will serve Him all the days of my life. I have a little sick girl. Please pray for her that she may get healed if it is the Lord's will.—A brother in Christ, Eddie Arnold.

edge. Now is the time we need to do our best. Jesus is coming soon. Young people wake up. Let us prepare ourselves for battle. Go to Bible School and get armed. I thank God for being in B. T. S. last term. I hope to be there the next term if the Lord is willing. Pray for my lost loved one. Pray for me.—A student, Sallie Jones, Crystal River, Fla.

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WORK GROWING IN ALABAMA

The Ala. State Convention convened at Alabama City, June 26-30. The first service was held Wednesday night. After some good songs and prayers Brother Blackwood, pastor of the church at this place, gave the welcome address which was followed by responses from Brothers Nelson and Harmon. By this time we were feeling very much at home and were getting our feet under Father's table for a big spread.

Thursday started off with plenty of rain from the clouds, nevertheless the Lord met with us with a soul stirring message by Z. D. Simpson, subject, "Our Obligation to God and Man," followed by E. L. Simmons, "Earnestness in Religion Indispensable." This was Brother Wilemon's subject but as he was absent Brother Simmons filled his place. We surely learned about our obligations and how we should not neglect our salvation. Thursday 1:30 found us gathered for more of the manna. We got it in "Christian Unity Urged" by S. J. Heath and "The Christian's Portion and Hope" by Mary Simpson. After listening to the addresses it made us see more why we need to get unity, the result of it, and our portion and hope. How we as God's church need to pull together on Bible lines. We will then see signs and wonders done in the name of the Holy Child Jesus, and say, every Christian will get his portion. We are living in perilous times. If there ever was a time when we need to hover under the wings of the Almighty, it is now. 8:00 p. m. after some good songs and prayers, J. C. Coats brought a good message on "The Godly Man's Dwelling and Hope." We are looking for that Home beyond the skies where sorrow and weeping are not known. Let us get ready.

Friday morning opened with bright skies. A message on "Brotherly Love the True Evidence of Good Religion" by the writer was followed by Earl Paulk, subject, "Jealousy." I am sure this was God given. It is something we as God's children must not allow to creep in our hearts. We must love one another as Jesus said, "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another as I have loved you, that ye also love one another." Love is of God. Give us more of it. The afternoon service was consumed by answering questions. W. T. Nelson filled the pulpit at night, subject, "The Means of a Revival of Religion." He told us something about how to have a revival.

Saturday came with clear skies and more delegates. The morning session was given to reports of churches. By listening to the reports, we learned that the work is growing quite well. Some good revivals have been held this year. The camp meeting question was taken up. It was decided that it would be held at Anniston, commencing about September 14.

Sunday morning arrived with many in attendance. Oh, you ought to have heard Sister Heath's address to the young people. God was in it, and how she did admonish our young people to be true to God and our mothers to be examples to the girls in dress etc. We must have our boys and girls. If you could have heard Brother Blackwood's class sing it would have done your hearts good. Brother Paulk followed with a message on "The Church of God." I don't know what the speedometer registered in this message, but I am sure all who were present would say that he was running in high before it was over with. Sunday night closed the convention with Brother Heath giving out prophecy on "The Signs of the Times and Coming of Jesus." This was a good convention.

In closing, I would say by what I heard and saw Brother Blackwood is doing a good work in pastoring the church at Alabama City. Come, let us go over the top in Alabama. Coming to the Assembly with the best report for years! Hurrah, hurrah, for the Church of God and our Coming King. —P. F. Fritz.

A Strong Believer In The Church of God

DETROIT, Mich. (April 14)—I want to praise the Lord for healing my two boys of measles. I love the Lord and want to always fulfill my promises to Him. I promised Him I would testify to it if He would heal them, so I give Him the praise. I know medicine did not cure them because they did not take any. I don't belong to the Church

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WARRIOR, Ala.—I want to sound a note of praise for our dear Lord this morning thru the dear little Evangel, the little paper which gives me much joy to read. The Lord has been so good to us and blessed us and healed in our family so many times. I shall never get tired of praising Him and testifying for Him. Some few weeks back I took an awful hurting. I hurt so badly I would cry. I did everything I knew to do but got no ease. We lived too far (I thought) to send for any saints to come and pray. I wanted to ask my husband to pray, but the devil would say, "You know the Lord will not heal for you two praying by yourselves, and He will not heal you of that any way." This continued for two days, and nights. The third night I said to husband, I can't stand this any longer, let us pray for God to heal me. We prayed. I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify of it, and I was healed. I have not been bothered since that night with that hurting. Praise the Lord! I give Him all the praise and honor, for I know I was healed. He healed my little girl last Summer of colitis and healed one of my children of pneumonia last Fall. Praise His sweet name! I ask every saint who reads this to pray that husband and I will live close to the Lord, and bring our children up in a way that will be pleasing to the Lord. Your sister in Christ.—Nancy Hayes.

Harvest Is Ripe And Laborers Are Few

EDEN, Miss. (June 23)—I want to sound a note of praise this morning to God thru the little paper that brings many blessings to the homes. I really thank God for what I feel in my soul just now. I am glad I am saved, sanctified with His blood and filled with the Holy Ghost. I love the Church of God.

Dear reader, please do not let the devil deceive you as I liked to have done about the Church of God. I was added to the Church of God at Pama, Mo. I was deceived and God put a case of chills on me. I had to call for the Church of God people to pray for me. Praise God for His mercy to me. They came and laid hands on me. Brother Lain was the pastor at that time. God showed me thru him that it would not do to doubt the church. I am writing this for someone who might have that doubt. His Word said, "Be not deceived, for God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man sows he shall also reap." I want to sow to His church and for His cause of saving souls. His Word again says that there is a way that seems right unto man, but the ways therein are the ways of death. Please pray for me. My wife and I have the Blessing and one girl is saved. We came here to this new place in Mississippi in Jan. 1928. There is no church or workers here and help is surely needed. The harvest is ripe and the laborers are few. Brothers and sisters, please pray that God will start a work at this place.—Your brother in Christ, Arthur Starns.

Desires Prayer For A Battle Against Sin

WINSTON, Ga.—I feel it will do me good to write a little testimony to the Evangel. We had a good service Sunday and the Lord wonderfully blessed my soul, for which I praise Him. We came here about three years ago. There was only one true blue Church of God person here and if he had not had the real goods he could not have stood in this hard, dark place. God knows what we can stand. We now have a little church set in order with six members who are fighting the devil with all force. We have preaching every Sunday. There are several Pentecostal people here who come and help us in our meetings. We have a wonderful time. I want to praise the good Lord for what He has done for us and the way He blesses us. I praise Him for being really saved from sin, sanctified by His precious blood, and a stronger determination right now than ever to fight this battle to a finish and make Heaven my home in the end. I want every one to pray for us and the lost souls at this place. We are expecting a revival to begin here about the first of September. All pray that it will be a success and many souls get saved and make a start for the Glory world. —A brother in Christ, L. J. Vollrath.

Feasting On The Fat Of The Lamb

PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island. (April 29)—I want to send a few words for my Lord, as He has done so much for me. After coming from the General Assembly last Fall God has been wonderfully blessing me. I made up my mind after coming from the Assembly that I would never give up the goal. My soul was wonderfully blest in the meetings and ever since I have been back to Providence I have been feasting on the fat of the Lamb. I love to read the dear little Evangel each week. Please pray for this city, it is a very wicked place. Your sister.—Geneva M. Diggs.

of God but am a strong believer. I want all who read this to pray that I may be saved and get the rest of the blessing.—Elsie Hoback.

Obituaries

STANCLIL

On Thursday afternoon, June 20, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Brother H. C. Stanclil and claimed for its victim his dear wife, Mrs. Nettie Stanclil. She was a good wife and mother. She was a member of the Church of God, was saved, sanctified, and seeking the Holy Ghost. She died with the sweetest smile on her face. She was thirty-two years of age. She leaves a father, mother, sisters, brothers, husband, six little children, and other relatives. Funeral was conducted in the Church of God Waihalla church (town) by Brothers L. H. Powell and C. E. McAbee. She was laid to rest in the Newells cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

My dear sister, you have left us. Yes, you have left us here below. But in a few days we'll be with you. Where we'll never part no more.—Her sister, Pauline Jackson.

JOHNSON

Our dear Sister Johnson died at Jacksonville, Ala. May 5, 1929 in her seventy-fourth year. She leaves to mourn her death a husband and three children. Brother D. L. Johnson is her eldest son. She was the mother of nine children, six have already passed on. She was saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. She lived a consecrated life. To know her was to love her. We weep not as those who have no hope for we know if we live true to the Lord we shall see her again. She was a devoted wife and a sweet loving mother. Of her death I should not murmur but feel thankful to God for her long Christian life. Her wonderful patience which has been her charm, made her triumphant over severe tests calmly without complaint. During her illness she had smiles and sweet words of comfort for her husband and children. The funeral was conducted by B. W. Brown, Brother Hall, and Sister Lane, and she was laid to rest in Four Mile cemetery to await the coming of the Lord.

Darling ones, I have left you. But I'm in a home so bright. You can live to meet your mother. If you will only do the right. —Written by one who dearly loved her, Lovie Mosteller, Jacksonville, Ala.

BOATRIGT

Vicy Boatright was born March 1, 1866 and departed this life July 1, 1929, age 63 years and 4 months. She was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church for years. She was a believer of Holiness and I believe if she had lived long enough she would have come into the Church of God. She was the mother of five children, had 21 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. She also leaves a husband and other relatives and friends to mourn her loss. Her children are all filled with the Holy Ghost and members of the Church. She died with paralysis. We trust that God will comfort this family and be their help in time of trouble. The funeral service was conducted by the writer. Children, look down on me as you pass by.

As you are now so once was I; As I am now so you must be. Prepare for death and follow me. —J. B. Weeks, Way Cross, Ga.

BOLEN

On Wednesday, June 26, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Bolen and claimed their darling little boy, Clyde. He leaves to mourn his departure a father, mother, three brothers, two sisters, and other relatives and friends. Little Clyde was nine years, three months, and eight days old. He will be missed by father and mother. Let us pray for them that they may realize that they can't bring him back, but the promise is to them that hold out faithful to the end. Sometimes we wonder why God called him away but we know that He saw best to take him. All was done that loving hands could do. Everything works out to the good of them who love the Lord. God is loving and kind. He knows just what we need and works things out to our interest. The funeral was conducted by Brother Joe Finley and his body laid to rest in the Odum cemetery at Millidgeville, Tenn.

A darling dear from us has gone To that fair land of joy and song, Oh mother dear and daddy too. Let's meet this one beyond the blue. His aunt, Amanda Grisham, Right, Tenn.

BREWER

On July 3, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Willie Brewer and called his dear mother home to be with Jesus. Sister Fanny Jane was fifty-three years old. She had been afflicted for six years and confined to her bed for five weeks. She bore her suffering with patience. She leaves to mourn her loss a good old gray-haired mother, three brothers, two sisters, and five children. We hated to give Sister Fanny Jane up but we expect to see her again when Jesus comes after His bride. The writer heard her say that Heaven was her home and that there was plenty of room for us all. The funeral was conducted by Brother Robert Lynch and her body

laid to rest in the Back Cemetery to await the soon coming of Jesus.—One who loved her and a sister in Christ, Rebecca Brush, Quicksand, Ky.

McSWAIN

Our husband and father passed away on June 29. He was sick fourteen days. He is surely missed in the home. Please pray for his widow and children that we may go to meet him some sweet day. We loved our father but Jesus loved him best. We would like for Brother Turner Hall to write to us.—Mrs. H. D. McSwain and daughter, 34 Stone Mountain Houst St., Tallapoosa, Ga.

CANADAY

On July 6, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Brother F. C. Canaday and claimed for its victim little Nathan Sherdell, age one year, one month, and eight days. Little Nathan was sick only five days. All was done for him that loving hands could do, but God saw best to take him to that home of peace and joy. He suffered while here, but we have the consolation of knowing that his suffering is over. Little Nathan has gone to be with Jesus. It was hard for mamma and daddy to give him up but we have the assurance that if we live for God we will see him again. We can not call him back, but we can go to him. He leaves to mourn his death a father, mother, six brothers, one sister, and a host of friends. He will be greatly missed in the home. Funeral services were conducted at the Church of God by Brother Angel Newton and its body sent to Kimberly, Ala. for interment to await the trumpet call.

A loved one from us is gone, A voice we loved is still, A place is vacant in our home, That never can be filled.—One who loved him, Mrs. Carrie Bates, Johnston City, Ill.

HINES

On June 8, 1929 the death angel came in our midst and claimed for its victim our daughter, Welthe Voiles Hines. All was done for her that could be done, but God knew best. She passed away saying that she was trusting in God.

A precious one from us is gone, A voice we loved is still, A place is vacant in our home, That never can be filled.—Her mother, Nancy Voiles.

GIBBS

On June 6, 1929 the death angel came and took Sophia Gibbs of Wildwood, Fla. away. She was born to Guther Harris Graham of Monticello, Fla. in 1854. She married Rev. Embury Gibbs. She was the mother of three sons and two daughters. She was a well-known citizen of Wildwood, having lived there for 46 years. She was converted and lived in the A. M. E. Church for 46 years. In 1922 she was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and lived a holy life for seven years. She was a member of the Church of God at Wildwood, Fla. She leaves to mourn her death one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Brother S. L. Eckles conducted the service, using for a text, Rev. 2:10: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." She was laid to rest in Wildwood, Fla.

CHARPMAN

On June 22, 1929, the death angel visited the home of Sister J. R. Charpman, age 77 years, and claimed her spirit. She was a devoted Christian mother and loved by those who knew her. She was saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost, and was a member of the Church of God for fifteen or sixteen years. She always liked to go to services and fill her place in the church. Often she would shout, testify and praise the Lord, although she was old and feeble. She will be greatly missed at church, also by relatives and friends. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, G. S. Scott. Her remains were laid to rest in the Dallas Cemetery to await the coming of the Lord. Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, they rest from their labour and their works do follow them.—One who loved her, Pearl Auten.

SHEATRES

Our dear Sister Sealy Sheatres, the beloved wife of Norman Sheatres was born March 1, 1900 and died July 4, 1929. She was 29 years, 4 months, and 3 days old. She was not sick but went to bed and slept never to wake until the trump of God shall sound. She leaves to mourn her loss her mother, father, two sisters, a husband, four little children and a darling little baby three months old. We feel good about our sister. She can't come to us but we can go to her. Let us all be prepared to go at any moment. The funeral service was conducted by the writer and her body was taken to the Corners Creek Graveyard in Virginia.

Thou art gone our precious darling, Never more can thou return, We shall meet to part no never, On that resurrection morn.—Her sister in Christ, Annie Jewell.

The Call of God A Serious Thing

How little is the thought of the seriousness of the call of the Lord to spread the true Gospel. How true that so little thought is given the seriousness of living it as we should live it. It seems that the majority of people to-day want to leave as much of the real things undone as possible and still hold a little of their experience. Friends, I tell you if you don't do it all and you only keep a little of the real experience I am persuaded to believe after a while you will lose all if you don't obey the commands of our blessed Christ. After we have once had the light and have walked in it and then when we begin to go back and pick up the things we have laid down to get the blessing, we are just backsliding, that is all, and it doesn't take long for us to feel it. Others will see it too. We begin to find fault with the pastor or some brother or sister and blame them for our downfall when perhaps they are really the ones that have taken the most interest in us to get us to live the life and be a true child of God instead of a stumbling-block for the whole church and world. As soon as we begin to stop paying our tithes and think, "O I just can't spare my tithes this time, the pastor can wait," the next pay day it is the same thing (only you are in debt further). I tell you if we pay the Lord what belongs to Him we will get along better. It doesn't make any difference if you make only one dollar a month, you owe Him ten cents of it and if you hold back your tithes for any reason, you owe fifteen cents, when you do pay. Read Lev. 27:31. Brethren, sisters, if you want a deep settled peace with God, pay your tithes as regularly as you get your own pay, and see how much easier it is for you and your pastor both to live, and then when the preacher preaches on tithes, how good you feel to think you are paying yours. It is the same with keeping any other command of God's Word. If we obey, the preacher does not hit us, and if we get hit that is what we need. Satan makes us think we have been treated very badly, and the first thing we want to do is to get rid of that preacher and get one that doesn't know our faults and failings. I tell you we cannot get by very long if the new one is a real child of God and has a real honest desire to have a clean church instead of a big membership of hypocrites, tobacco chewers and snuff users, and the Lord knows what all else they do. He will find our failings as quickly as the old one did, so for God's sake and the sake of His true Church, let us live the life before the world, that they will want the real true religion of the Lord Jesus Christ. I surely love to hear the real Gospel preached and I am trying my best to live up to it, and I think the preacher ought to be the most careful of God's children as to the life he lives. To me, one of the most disgusting things I know of is to try to listen to a message from a hypocrite. I think a church can't be too careful in setting forth applicants for the ministry. I agree with the Church of God General Instruction book, that they should prove themselves well before being set forth, and if they are not willing to live the life as a member in the Church, they aren't fit for license to preach His Gospel. I believe if God calls one to preach and they will live the life and obey His Word, they will not have to raise a fuss in the church about getting license and a place to preach. I believe too many get confused and think they have to have license to testify and tell their experience. Friends if we live it, it will tell for itself. God forbid that I should stand in the way of one that He has called, or that I stand by and help someone get license that is not living a good, justified life but who is claiming the Holy Ghost. Oh how careful we who profess the Holy Ghost should be of our daily lives, how we act and what we say, for we are being watched by the world and members of other churches as well. If we do not live differently, they will not want it, and we would have been better if we had never had it, if we do not live and be guided by its spirit. I just

can't praise the Lord enough for what He has done for me. I thank Him for His power to heal; He can heal today. He performed these miracles when He was here on earth and He said we should do even greater things than He did. Lots of people cannot have any faith in Jesus to get healed. O we should have faith, and if we have not faith let us pray for it. If we want more faith than what we already have, obey Him and do as the Bible commands. If we get a chance to testify for Jesus we should not fail to do so. If we do not obey in everything, we will grow weak. We must do like He wants us to do. Remember me as your brother.—R. D. Kohn.

On June 25, 1929 the death angel made its visit to the home of Grover Moses of Chevrolet, Ky. and claimed for its victim, his oldest brother, Crit Moses, who came to his home from Whitley City. He had come to take his aged mother home with him. In less than an hour after he arrived at his brother's he was taken seriously ill. This was Sunday and on Tuesday 5:40 a. m. he died. Although we did everything that loving hands could do he had to go. He prayed during his illness. We prayed and shed many tears for him, yet we had to submit to the will of God who does all things well. His sufferings were great, but he bore it all with patience. He shook hands with loved ones and smiled while dying. He leaves to mourn his loss his dear wife, nine children, eight grandchildren, his mother, three brothers, three sisters, and many loved ones. He was fifty-two years of age. Oh, dear brother, how we loved you. How we miss you here below. But we hope some day to greet you Where no tears will ever flow. Pray for his children who are out in sin.—One who loved him, Sophia Moses.

SOULS ARE STILL BEING SAVED

LAFAYETTE, Ga. (June 20)—To the Church of God Evangel, I feel led this beautiful morning to write a few words to the little paper we all love so well. I praise God because I have a real salvation. Dear friends, some people say that they think they are Christians. That will not do; we must know if we are Christians. I thank the Lord because I know I am a child of God and have been redeemed by the blood of Jesus and the sweet Holy Ghost abides in my heart this morning. Praise our God, I feel like going on and doing more for the Lord. I believe He requires us to do our best for Him. I feel that every Church of God member ought to get busy and do more for God than we have ever done. I thank the Lord for sending Brother Odie Smith to this place to hold a meeting. I feel that Brother Smith did his best for the Lord while here. Three received the Holy Ghost, some were saved, and I think there were two sanctified. I am sure we all learned to love Brother Smith and I hope he will come back and run another meeting for us. I also thank God for our good pastor, Brother Swift. I am sure he is doing his best for the Church at this place and we all love him and his faithful little wife. We appreciate them so much. Please pray for me that I will be what God would have me to be.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Mattie Lou Hampton.

HE KEEPS ME HAPPY EACH DAY

FT. WHITE, Fla. (Apr. 13)—I am thanking God this morning for His wonderful love. He keeps me happy each day. I am glad for Jesus, who can make us happy. I am looking for Jesus to come back soon, and who will be ready to go? Are we ready to meet Him, or, are we not? Jesus has been so good to me, I can't thank Him enough. He has said that when this Gospel is preached to all nations then shall the end be. Matt. 24:14. The Word of God is being preached all over the world. I feel like all the time that it will not be long. The Bible says watch and pray for the day we think not, the Son of man cometh. Dear people, let us be up and doing for the Lord. He does not want us in a lukewarm stage; He wants us to be hot or cold. Read Rev. 3:16.

Thank God for the wonderful things He has done for me. I thank Him for His power to heal; He can heal today. He performed these miracles when He was here on earth and He said we should do even greater things than He did. Lots of people cannot have any faith in Jesus to get healed. O we should have faith, and if we have not faith let us pray for it. If we want more faith than what we already have, obey Him and do as the Bible commands. If we get a chance to testify for Jesus we should not fail to do so. If we do not obey in everything, we will grow weak. We must do like He wants us to do. Remember me as your brother.—R. D. Kohn.

can't praise the Lord enough for what He has done for my husband and me, and for giving us the Holy Ghost. Friends, pray for us, for we have a great desire to live the true life, and to see the Church of God rise and shine with real children of God as its members. I am so glad we ever found this way, for now I have a deep settled peace in my soul that I never dreamed of before I got the Holy Ghost. My greatest desire is to live the life to the end and that my children and friends might find this peace before it is too late. One who loves the Church of God and is glad to be a member.—Mrs. Gay Henning, 323 Central St., Elkins, W. Va.

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